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A Strange Dentist

Isaiah 52:7—“How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news.”

The couple fought so much that they decided to get a divorce, and they set a date to appear before the judge. However, the wife had a toothache and had to see a dentist. In the dentist's office, she listened to Christian music in the background and asked the dentist to explain those lyrics to her. The dentist told her about sin and salvation.

Intrigued, she wanted a Bible. The dentist gave her one and said a pastor would visit her. The woman agreed, and a few days later, the pastor paid her a visit. They had barely started the Bible study that day when she asked, “What does the Bible say about divorce?” The pastor whispered a prayer for guidance and showed her what Jesus said about divorce. She was furious. “That's just not possible in today's world,” she yelled.

The pastor encouraged her to continue studying the Bible and praying for her husband and their marriage. She began to pray, and something began to happen inside her. The night before the court hearing, she told her husband that she had changed her mind and no longer wanted a divorce. When he asked why, she simply said, “I have accepted Jesus as my Savior, and divorce is in opposition to His will.”

The next day, she told the judge that she no longer wanted a divorce. Her husband looked at her closely and then told the judge: “Me neither.”

Now it was the husband who was curious. He wanted to know more about the Bible and about “this Jesus guy.” She gave him her Bible, and he immediately started to read it. Soon, he asked for Bible studies and began attending church services. His life also changed. Today, that woman says that Jesus is present in their lives thanks to a dentist who silently shared the gospel through her work.

Appeal: There are many places in the world where church workers struggle to obtain visas and work permits. But professionals like dentists, engineers, teachers, nurses and others can often work in the 10/40 window and live as followers of Christ. We call them “tentmakers” because their ministry is modeled after the apostle Paul. Your offerings help equip and support them around the world.

